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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.18(a), applicants' request withdrawing of the holding of abandonment in this case. On July 31, 2003 a Notice of Abandonment was mailed in the above case. A copy of this Notice is attached as Exhibit A hereto. This Notice indicates that a timely reply to the Office letter mailed on February 25, 2003 was not received.

An Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement was faxed on March 18, 2003.

An Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission acknowledging receipt of this Amendment was received from the Patent Office on March 18, 2003. The Amendment and Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission receipt are attached as Exhibit B hereto.

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Conclusion

It is submitted that the Amendment was timely filed and the Notice of Abandonment should be withdrawn.

Respectfully,

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